

**Bracknell Forest Council
Record of Decision**

Work Programme Reference	I072584
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1. **TITLE:** "Unlocking Opportunities for all Children" Special Educational Needs and Disability Improvement Strategy (2017-2020)

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Children, Young People and Learning

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

The Executive is requested to approve the draft strategy which has been written in partnership with schools, colleges, early years settings, parents/carers, young people and other stakeholders (attached as Appendix 1) to raise the achievement of children and young people with Special Education Needs (SEN) and Disabilities.

The Council has a number of statutory duties in relation to Special Education Needs and Disabilities and works to statutory guidance in a detailed Code of Practice, published following the Children and Families Act 2014. "Thrive in Learning" sets out the three year strategic direction and priorities for Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) for children and young people aged 0-25 years. It sits as a section of the Learning Improvement Strategy.

The LA has the lead for the partnership in Bracknell Forest (BF) that coproduced the plan, but recognises that its success will lie in the effectiveness of the partnership between all stakeholders

4. **IS KEY DECISION** No

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION:**

RESOLVED that the Special Educational Needs and Improvement Strategy be approved.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

1. There is a statutory requirement for all Local Authorities to have a Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Strategy.
2. There is a necessity for the Local Authority to lead the partnership in developing services and provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

None. This is a statutory requirement.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** A full list of those who help coproduce the strategy is included in acknowledgements section of the strategy

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Children, Young People & Learning.

11. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
21 November 2017	28 November 2017